First Lutheran Church – Worship and Music Committee

January 15, 2013 – 6:00 pm

Present: Michael Olson, Del Herrmann, Gene Okerlund, Emily Burggraff, and Becki Tollefson.

The meeting was opened with the Mission Statement.

Gene gave devotions highlighting the importance of music in the Bible, where there are 1150 references to music. Ephesians 5:19 says “Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord.”

The minutes from the November 2012 meeting were approved.

The financial report was presented by Del. Del e-mailed Christy with a thank you for the promptness in getting our financial report to our committee. Our biggest expense has been for the new candles to be used for our Christmas Eve candlelight services. Thus far, $1707 has been received to cover the cost of the candles which cost $1941. Year to date, Worship and Music is $618 over budget.

After discussion, Becki moved and Gene seconded that the Christmas decorations be left up through Epiphany. Motion passed.

Gene is willing to share music again between services as he did in December.

Christmas services went well. There were some questions regarding the telecast. The audio on the January 6th service had some difficulties.

The choir will present the Dubois cantata for Holy Week in March.

Del brought up the need for hymn racks in the front pews.

The meeting was adjourned with the praying of the Lord’s Prayer.

Next meeting will be on March 19 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Burggraff